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SUBJECT: MTN TROPICAL PRODUCTS NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A. STATE 13658, B. NEW DELHI 496

- 1. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED NUMBER OF PRODUCTS RELATED TO PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR FOR POSSIBLE USE IN PREPARATION OF US REQUEST LIST.
- 2. PUBLIC SECTOR IMPORTS: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, WITH REVISED INDIAN TRADE CLASSIFICATION (RITC) NUMBER, MEET THREE CRITERIA: (A) IMPORTS ARE LARGELY IF NOT EXCLUSIVELY FOR GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT, MAKING PAYMENT OF IMPORT DUTY AN INTRA-GOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER WHICH MAY NONETHELESS AFFECT MANAGERS' PROCUREMENT DECISIONS, (B) IMPORTS MEET PROGRAM NEEDS IN AREAS WHICH THE GOI HAS IDENTIFIED AS IMPORTANT TO ITS DEVELOPMENT EFFORT, (C) TRADE STATISTICS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REVEAL A CAPACITY FOR US EXPORTERS TO COMPETE IN THE INDIAN

MARKET.

PRODUCT CATEGORY RITC NUMBER

ALKYL BENZENE 5121201 VINYL CHLORIDE 5121325

UREA FERTILIZER, NOT MORE THAN 45 PC N 5611003

POTASSIUM CHLORIDE: PURE AND COMMERCIAL GRADE 5613001 AND

5613002

POTASSIUM SULPHITE MORE THAN 52 PC K2O 5613003

AMMONIUM PHOSPATE 5619001

RESIN, PLASTIC 5819202

FARM CHEMICALS: ALDRIN 5992401

ELECTRICAL QUALITY STEEL SHEETS 6743101

STAINLESS STEEL SHEETS BELOW 3 MM THICK 6743309

TINNED PLATES/SHEETS 6747009

ELECTROLYTIC COPPER WIRE/BARS 6821201

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES OF EXCAVATING MACHINERY
PETROLEUM AND GAS WELL DRILLING EQUIPMENT
7184207

PARTS OF MINING MACHINERY 7184219

PARTS OF PETROLEUM AND GAS WELL DRILLING EQUIPMENT 7184222 INDUSTRIAL AND LABORATORY FURNACES AND OVENS 7191400 MACHINERY, PLANT AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT, NES 7191909

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES OF PUMPS FOR LIQUIDS 7192139

PARTS OF PUMPS FOR GASES 7192205

PARTS OF METAL WORKING MACHINE TOOLS 7195401
TAPERED ROLLER BEARINGS 50 TO 100 MM 7197304
BALL BEARINGS 50 TO 100 MM BORE 7197107
PARTS OF ELECTRIC POWER MACHINERY 7221911

ELECTRIC MOTORS, NES 7221229

3. IMPORTS FOR EXPORTS: SINCE REF B WAS PREPARED, THE GOI ITSELF HAS RECOGNIZED THAT BUREAUCRATIC DELAYS IN DUTY DRAWBACK SYSTEM WERE SERIOUS. IT HAS INSTITUTED A BANK CREDIT SCHEME TO PERMIT EXPORTERS FASTER ACCESS TO FUNDS REPRESENTING DUTIES PAID FOR IMPORTS (NEW DELHI A-15). WHILE THIS PROVIDES A FINANCIAL BENEFIT TO TRADER, IT MAKES PAPER WORK EVEN MORE COMPLICATED. RATHER THAN PROPOSE SPECIFIC CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM (E.G., DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS OR DESIGNATION OF APPROVING AUTHORITY), LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WE RECOMMEND THAT USG REQUEST SIMPLIFICATION OF DUTY DRAWBACK SCHEME WITHOUT ELABORATION AS TO DETAIL.

4. WE HAVE SOUGHT TO IDENTIFY PARTICULAR PRODUCT CATEGORIES WHICH ARE USED IN PRODUCTION OF EXPORT ITEMS, BUT INFORMATION HAS SIMPLY NOT BEEN COMPILED BEFORE. WE WILL TRY TO DEVELOP SOME LEADS ALONG THESE LINES THROUGH CONTACT WITH IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS AND THEIR TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, BUT THIS WILL REQUIRE LONGER TERM, FIELD WORK

PROJECT. WE WILL REPORT RESULTS IF WE CAN OBTAIN SUFFICIENT MATERIAL. SAXBE
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